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## **PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

## Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed August 15, 2005 and the Notice of Appeal filed by first class mail on January 17, 2006 and received by the USPTO on January 19, 2006, said period of response being extended from March 19, 2006 to May 19, 2006.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1078 in the amount of \$450.00 to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted, MERCHANT & GOULD P.C. P.O. Box 2903 Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402-0903 (612) 332-5300

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